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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Responsive to the action mailed March 16, 2000, Applicants elect the invention of Group I, claims 1 and 2, drawn to a thermophilic enzyme having beta-glycosidase activity. The election is made without traverse.

Applicants do not believe that any fees are due with this Response. However, if it is determined that fees are owed, please apply any charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

Respectfully submitted,

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